

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 74

By Haynes

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Jeff Whitehorn on the occasion of his recognition in the Star Spangled Salute.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should salute those citizens who, through their extraordinary efforts, have distinguished themselves in their chosen professions and as community leaders of whom we can all be proud; and

WHEREAS, one such noteworthy person is Jeff Whitehorn, who will be honored at the Star Spangled Salute on March 8, 2007, an honor most befitting such an outstanding and accomplished Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, the Star Spangled Salute is an annual event which recognizes individuals for their extensive community involvement and personal interest in and support of the Donelson Station Senior Center; and

WHEREAS, highly regarded in his community and his profession, Jeff Whitehorn has served as the Chief Executive Officer of Summit Medical Center since 2003; he has been with the Hospital Corporation of America for 15 years, a tenure which also includes his serving as CEO of Southern Hills Medical Center and at HCA hospitals in Georgia; and

WHEREAS, after graduating from Boyd-Buchanan High School, Jeff Whitehorn earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Accounting from Lipscomb University, where he served as Student Body President from 1983 to 1984. He earned his Master of Business Administration degree from the University of Alabama in 1988; and

WHEREAS, before returning to graduate school, Mr. Whitehorn was employed by the Nashville office of Peat Marwick CPA's from 1984 to 1986; he worked from 1988-1992 as CEO of Charter Winds Hospital in Athens, GA; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Whitehorn is a Certified Public Accountant and is also board certified in Health Care Management; and

WHEREAS, a consummate professional, Mr. Whitehorn is a Fellow in the American College of Healthcare Executives, and a member of the Tennessee Hospital Association and HEMFT; and

WHEREAS, a committed public servant, Mr. Whitehorn lends his time and remarkable talents to many worthy organizations, including the Donelson-Hermitage Chamber of Commerce, where he serves as President; Leadership Donelson Hermitage; and the HCA Hope Fund; and

WHEREAS, other organizations that have benefited from the support of Mr. Whitehorn in the past are Otter Creek Kindergarten, the Economic Development Committee for the Brentwood Chamber of Commerce, the Southern Area Business Council, the Board of Governors for the Nashville Area Chamber of Commerce, and Joe C. Davis YMCA Outdoor Center; and

WHEREAS, a devout member of the Brentwood Hills Church of Christ, for which he serves as Deacon, Mr. Whitehorn is a Sunday School teacher and has taken three mission trips to Honduras; and

WHEREAS, his professional and civic accomplishments aside, Mr. Whitehorn is most grateful for the love and companionship he shares with his wife, Jennifer; they are the proud parents of two daughters, Ashleigh and Emily; and

WHEREAS, Jeff Whitehorn epitomizes the spirit and commitment that are characteristic of a true Tennessean, and this General Assembly finds it appropriate to pause in its deliberations to acknowledge and applaud him for his dedication to his chosen profession, his community, and the State of Tennessee; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and commend Jeff Whitehorn upon the occasion of his being honored in the Star Spangled Salute, express to him our deepest gratitude for his

meritorious service to Donelson Station Senior Center, and extend to him our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.